

## **Middle Country Reads 2012**

Meet Author Gary D. Schmidt (A230)\*

Join us as we welcome Middle Country Reads 2012 author, Gary D. Schmidt, writer of this year's selection The Wednesday Wars. Saturday, March 17

1:00pm - 3:00pm

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Cream Puffs (A236)

Enjoy some homemade cream puffs while you read the 2012 Middle Country Reads title, The Wednesday Wars. Learn how to make this classic dessert and bring home four cream puffs in a bakery box.

Wednesday, February 15

6:30pm - 8:15pm

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Film Series (A237)

The movies in this series are set in the 1960s and reflect many of the themes from this year's selection, The Wednesday Wars. Stand By Me

Tuesday, February 14

6:30pm - 8:45pm Centereach

Dead Poets Society Thursday, February 23

6:30pm - 8:45pm Centereach

Sandlot

Thursday, March 1

6:30pm - 8:45pm Centereach

**Birdy** 

Thursday, March 8

6:30pm - 8:45pm Centereach

## **Arts/Crafts**

#### **Beaded Herringbone Bracelet (A197)**

Learn an old stitch called herringbone to create a very trendy wide cuff bracelet. The herringbone stitch can be used in many ways and has been traced back to Egyptian gold chains! Using high-quality beads, you will create a wide cuff bracelet that is beautiful to wear and feels like fabric on your wrist. All supplies will be supplied by instructor-beads, thread, needles and clasp.

Material Fee: \$10.00 Tuesday, March 27

<u>OR</u>

Wednesday, March 28 7:00pm - 8:45pm

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**Daffodilicous Centerpiece (A145)** 

Create a floral candy centerpiece using skewers floral tape, candy, and a clay pot. Your finished project will look like a blooming plant. Please bring 2 bags of wrapped butterscotch candies to class. Instructor will provide all other materials.

Material Fee: \$8.00 Thursday, March 15 7:00pm - 8:00pm

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#### Follow the Masters: Monet (A143)

Create an acrylic painting with Joan Rogers duplicating the color, style and technique of Monet.

Material list available online or at any reference desk.

Material Fee: \$15.00

Wednesdays, January 11, 18, 25

10:00am - 12:00pm

**Greenery in Bloom (A146)** 

Learn to create centerpiece arrangements for spring and St. Patrick's Day using different styles of greenery in this lively decorating demonstration. Finished creations will be raffled off at the end of the

Tuesday, March 6 7:00pm - 8:30pm

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#### **Hand Painted Goblets (A144)**

Use glass paints to decorate two large glass goblets with floral designs. To add a finishing touch use wire, glass beads, and a charm to decorate the stem of the glass. The completed project will be eye candy for your table.

Material Fee: \$10.00 Monday, February 27 6:30pm - 8:30pm

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**Introduction to Letterboxing (A196)** 

Letterboxing is an intriguing mix of treasure hunting, art, navigation and exploring interesting, scenic and sometimes historic places. This is a great activity to do on your own, with the grandkids, or with the whole family! Learn the ins-and-outs of letterboxing at this fun program. Each participant will make a logbook and pick out a starter stamp.

Thursday, March 8 7:00pm - 8:30pm

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**Knitting Stitches Series: Gauges (A147)** 

Learn to understand gauges and how to make them work to your benefit when knitting.

Thursday, January 12 10:00am - 11:30am

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**Knitting Stitches Series: Patterns (A169)** 

Learn to follow a pattern and work it to your size.

Thursday, February 9 10:00am - 11:30am

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**Knitting Stitches Series: Applying** Techniques (A170)

Take previously learned stitches and apply techniques to develop a new project or finish an existing one.

Thursday, March 8 10:00am - 11:30am

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Picturing America (A141)

An illustrated lecture that will explore American art from the early 18th, 19th and 20th century masters. Each piece of art has immeasurable energies characterizing the American ideals of democracy, freedom, creativity, leadership and courage. Artist works will include J.S. Copley, Gilbert Stuart, Emanuel Leutze, Norman Rockwell, Chide Hassam, NC Wyeth and more.

Wednesday, February 29

11:00am - 12:30pm

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## Quilting Instructional: Snowman Quilt (A198)

Those winter snowmen can really warm you up and make a very cozy quilt. There will be some simple piecing and a little applique to create this quilt. All levels are welcome.

Material list available online or at any reference desk.

Tuesdays, February 21, 28, March 13, 20

6:30pm - 8:45pm

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**Quilting Techniques (A172)** 

This quilting group is designed for anyone who would like to work on a new project or learn detailed techniques to finish an existing project. This hands-on session will explain aspects of the quilting process to apply to your individual projects. There are on-going demonstrations and discussions throughout the morning. All experience levels are welcome.

Saturday, February 18 10:00am - 1:00pm

#### Sew 'n Sews (A173)

Have you ever been interested in quilting? This is the perfect place to find out how you can make your own quilt. Throughout the year we make blocks for a quilt and explore many different techniques. All levels of experience are invited to join.

Wednesdays, January 4, February 1, March 7

6:00pm - 8:45pm

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## Stitch Wise (A148)

Need assistance with an existing knit or crochet project? Get expert advice from Marion on how to fix and finish your current work.

Thursdays, January 26, February 23, March 29

10:00am - 11:30am

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#### **Watercolor: Jamaican Sunset (A142)**

Learn the art of painting a gorgeous sunset with Joan Rogers using watercolor brush techniques.

Material list available online or at any reference desk.

Material Fee: \$6.00

Wednesdays, March 14, 21

6:30pm - 8:30pm

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# **Book Discussions/Writing**

#### **Book Discussion Group (A188)**

Join us for a casual friendly gathering of readers who love to talk about the book they're reading.

Discussion titles:

January - The Art of Racing in the Rain, by Garth Stein

March - Middle Country Reads Selection, The Wednesday Wars,

by Gary D. Schmidt

April - Long Island READS selection, The Lost Wife,

by Alyson Richman

Mondays, January 30, March 5, April 16

7:00pm - 8:45pm

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#### **Great Books Discussion (A156)**

The Great Books Series is an introduction to the great literature of our civilization. Gain a fuller understanding of these works through discussion. Share your insights and bring your questions. Moderated by Ed Schneider.

Thursdays, March 15, 22, 29, April 5, 12, 19

2:00pm - 3:30pm

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#### **History Book Discussion Group (A174)**

Join us at our book discussion group dedicated to stories related to historical events and people who lived through them! Both titles will be available at the Reference desk at the prior book discussion.

Thursday, January 19 – The Lost City of Z: A Tale of Deadly Obsession in the Amazon, by David Grann

Thursday, March 1 – The Island at the Center of The World: The Epic story of Dutch Manhattan and the Forgotten Colony that Shaped America, by Russell Shorto

7:00pm - 8:30pm

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# **Business/Careers/Taxes**

#### AARP Tax Assistance (A155)\*

In our free tax assistance program for the elderly, trained counselors will assist seniors in filling out their tax returns. *Open to the public on* the first day of registration.

Mondays, February 6, 13, 20, 27, March 5, 12, 19, 26, April 2, 9 10:00am - 1:45pm Centereach

#### Career Counseling (A159)

Need help writing your resume? Thinking of starting a new career? Want to ace your next interview? Make an appointment with one of our career counselors. Available to district residents ages 14 and up, career counselors provide confidential appointments for employment, occupational, and college counseling, as well as administration of the Strong Interest Inventory test. To make an appointment, call 585-9393 X 133.

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday appointments available at both Centereach and Selden.

## **Entrepreneurs Computer Toolkit Series\*** To register, visit www.millerbusinesscenter.org/ectk.html

## An Introduction to BIZLINK (A163)\*

This program will show entrepreneurs how to get the most of using the resources on the Miller Business Resource Center's BIZLINK.

Thursday, February 16

7:00pm - 8:30pm

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# The Best Online Apps for Entrepreneurs

Take a tour of some of the best online applications, gadgets and web sites geared towards running your small business more effectively.

Thursday, January 19

7:00pm - 8:30pm

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#### **Intermediate Excel 2010 for Entrepreneurs** (A161)

A class focusing on some of the advanced features of MS Excel 2010 that are helpful when running a small business.

**Prerequisite: Introduction to Excel 2010** 

Tuesday, March 20

7:00pm - 8:30pm

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#### **Introduction to Excel 2010 for Entrepreneurs** (A162)\*

This class is an introduction to basic spreadsheet concepts and worksheet fundamentals that will be helpful to entrepreneurs.

Tuesday, March 13

7:00pm - 8:30pm

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## \*Open to the public

#### **Career & School Counseling for** Spanish Speakers (A231)\*

Are you trying to find the right job or profession? Do you want to learn how to navigate the school system to get the best for your child? If so, come meet with our Career & School Counselor Betty Velez to discuss and explore career options or job changes, revise a resume or cover letter, discover colleges that are good choices, help find your way through financial aid options...and more. Register to make an appointment.

Wednesdays, January 11, 25, February 8, 29, March 14, 28

4:45pm - 7:45pm

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#### **Empire State College Information Session** (A235)

At Empire State College, you choose how and where you study. Flexible study options, including independent study and online, enable you to pursue a degree in a manner and place that works for you. Attend an information session, hear details and ask questions about degree programs, study options, costs and aid, transfer credit and more. Ideal for adults who never went to college, didn't complete a degree or studied in another country.

Tuesday, January 31 6:00pm - 8:45pm

OR

Saturday, February 18 2:30pm - 4:00pm

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#### VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance) (A160)\*

Volunteers assist in filing tax returns for low income individuals and families. Registration begins January 25, 2012. For up-to-date information, visit <a href="http://www.millerbusinesscenter.org/taxhelp">http://www.millerbusinesscenter.org/taxhelp</a>

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## Citizenship/ESOL/ Literacy

#### Citizenship Preparation (A227)

For adults preparing to take the Citizenship exam. Students will learn about American history, culture and civics.

Thursdays, February 2, 9, 16, March 1, 22, 29, April 5 6:30pm - 8:45pm

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## English Conversation Group (A190)\*

Join our informal and friendly group to practice speaking English and to improve your conversation skills. All levels are welcome.

Wednesdays, January 25, February 1, 8, 15, 29,

March 7, 14, 21, 28

10:00am - 11:30am Centereach

## ESOL - Monday (A186)

English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) learn listening, speaking, reading and writing skills for everyday needs. Patrons must have a valid Middle Country Library Card.

Mondays, February 6, 13, 27, March 5, 12, 19, 26

6:00pm - 8:45pm Centereach

ESOL – Wednesday (A228)

English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) learn listening. speaking, reading, and writing skills for everyday needs. **Patrons** must have a valid Middle Country Library Card.

Wednesdays, February 1, 8, 15, 29, March 7, 14, 21, 28

6:00pm - 8:45pm Centereach

#### **Literacy Assistance (A185)**

A Spanish-speaking staff member is available on the public floor to assist any patrons, with limited English proficiency, who need help accessing library services.

Wednesdays, January 4, 11, 18, 25, February 1, 8, 15, 22, 29,

March 7, 14, 21, 28

5:30pm - 8:30pm Centereach

Saturdays, January 7, 14, 21, 28, February 4, 11, 18, 25,

March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

11:00am - 2:30pm Centereach

## **Mujeres Latinas: Connecting with your Library!** (A229)

Join us for some friendly conversation about what your library can do for you and your family! At the same time you will be helping us learn how we can better serve you! Te invitamosa asistir a una charla amena do lo que tu biblioteca puede hacer por ti y tu familia. Al mismo tiempo nos ayudarás a saber en que podemos mejorar para ti.

Wednesdays, January 4, February 8, March 14

6:30pm - 8:00pm Centereach

Saturdays, January 21, February 18, March 31

1:00pm - 2:30pm Centereach

## **Computer Classes**

Due to the demand of some classes, patrons may have to share a computer. Patrons are welcome to bring their own laptops to class. Please check that your computer has the appropriate software.

#### **Book a Librarian (A233)**

Make an appointment with a librarian for assistance with library resources and services. The library is offering 30-minute one-onone sessions covering topics such as using the library catalog (placing holds, renewing items and registering for programs); library resources (including online databases), and using mobile devices (such as e-readers and smart phones). To make an appointment, please fill out a Book a Librarian form (available online or at any reference desk) and bring it to the Adult Reference desk in either building. A librarian will contact you to confirm your appointment.

## **Brain Games (A199)**

Does your brain need a workout? To stay fit and healthy we should regularly exercise our bodies, and the brain is no different. Studies have shown that keeping your brain active helps maintain and improve cognitive abilities and memory. Choose from a variety of online games, puzzles, and activities that will help exercise your brain!

Thursday, February 2, 9

10:00am - 12:00pm

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## **Brain Games Club (A200)**

Have you taken our previous Brain Games class? Would you like to learn more? Drop in at this new once a month program to stimulate your brain by playing these fun and challenging computer-based games at your own pace or share other brain games you have discovered on your own.

Thursday, March 29

10:00am - 12:00pm

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#### **Computer Basics (A201)**

Stop feeling left behind and join us to learn simple steps such as using the keyboard to navigate the computer screen and finding your way around the computer.

Thursdays, January 5, 12

10:00am - 12:00pm

Monday & Wednesday, January 9, 11 6:45pm - 8:30pm

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Tuesdays, January 31, February 7

6:45pm - 8:30pm

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#### Computer Connections (A202)

Need assistance learning computer basics such as getting on the internet, typing and saving a letter, using the mouse pad and keyboard? Sign up for one-on-one tutoring with a teen assistant who will get you on your way to being computer savvy.

#### Applications available online or at any reference desk.

Saturday, January 28

10:00am - 11:00am

11:00am - 12:00pm

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OR

Saturday, February 4 10:00am - 11:00am

11:00am - 12:00pm

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#### Creating an E-Mail Account (A203)

Set up a new e-mail account and learn how to get started using your e-mail.

Wednesday, January 4

6:45pm - 8:30pm

E-Mail Attachments (A204)

Learn how to upload and attach documents and pictures to your outgoing e-mail messages. Please bring a valid email address to class with your user name and password.

Tuesday, January 24

6:45pm - 8:30pm

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**Intermediate MS Excel 2010 (A205)** 

Learn more advanced spreadsheet techniques. (Prior knowledge of Excel basics required.)

Tuesdays, March 20, 27, April 3

6:45pm - 8:30pm

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**Intermediate MS Word 2010 (A206)** 

Learn more advanced word processing techniques. (Prior knowledge of MS Word required.)

Tuesdays, January 3, 10 6:45pm - 8:30pm

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<u>OR</u>

Monday & Wednesday, February 13, 15

6:45pm - 8:30pm

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**Internet Searching (A207)** 

Come and find the best ways to search the internet for the things that you are most interested in. Make sense of web searching using Google searches, finding maps, viewing videos and more.

Wednesday, February 1

6:45pm - 8:30pm

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**Internet Topics: Using Google (A208)** 

Delve deeper into the Internet's most popular searching tool. Did you know you can use Google's specialized programs to get directions? Find pictures? Search for TV programs and videos? Keep an online calendar? View a map of Mars? Join us and discover what other treasures it has to offer.

Thursday, February 16

10:00am - 12:00pm

Selden

**Introduction to E-Mail (A209)** 

If you already have an e-mail account and would like to learn how to use it better from sending and receiving mail to organizing old mail, then this class is for you. Please bring a valid email address to class with your user name and password.

Tuesday, January 17

6:45pm - 8:30pm

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**Introduction to MS Excel 2010 (A210)** 

This program is used to produce mathematical spreadsheets for accounting purposes. Learn how to enter data and insert formulas for automatic calculations. (Prior knowledge of the Windows operating system required.)

Tuesdays, March 6, 13

6:45pm - 8:30pm

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**Introduction to the Internet (A211)** 

Become acquainted with the Internet and some of its practical uses.

Monday, January 30 6:45pm - 8:30pm

Tuesdays, February 21, 28

6:45pm - 8:30pm

Centereach

**Introduction to MS Word 2010 (A212)** 

Learn the art of word processing and never use an eraser again! (Prior knowledge of the Windows operating system required.)

Thursdays, January 19, 26

10:00am - 12:00pm

Monday & Wednesday, February 6, 8

6:45pm - 8:30pm

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Introduction to PowerPoint (A213)

Learn to create professional looking presentations with this easy-touse software. (Prior knowledge of the Windows operating system reauired.)

Monday & Wednesday, March 19, 21

6:45pm - 8:30pm

Selden

**Keyboarding Basics (A214)** 

Do you need an opportunity to learn how to type? Here is your chance to establish basic skills and begin practicing with keyboarding software.

Wednesday & Thursday, January 18, 19 6:45pm - 8:30pm

Selden

**Keyboarding Skills Set (A215)** 

This keyboarding refresher class will introduce you to automated keyboarding software that you can use to test your ability level and create a personalized typing program to practice your skills.

Monday & Wednesday, January 23, 25

6:45pm - 8:30pm

Selden

MS Excel 2010: Calculations (A216)

Enhance Excel 2010 knowledge by practicing Formulas and Functions and applying Sum Functions, PMT Functions, If statements, Nested If statements and Vlookups.

Monday & Wednesday, February 27, 29

6:45pm - 8:30pm

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MS Excel 2010: Using Autofill (A217)

Update your Excel knowledge with 2010 features. Discover the power of Excel autofill and how to apply it to various calculation examples.

Wednesday, February 22 6:45pm - 8:30pm

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MS Office 2010: Extras (A218)

Learn how to create Macros, customize ribbons, and create program

Monday & Wednesday, April 2, 4

6:45pm - 8:30pm

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Photo Fun (A219)

Bring your digital photos on a disk or flash drive and use them in the desktop publishing program PrintShop to create beautiful photo collage pages suitable for framing or for inclusion in a scrapbook.

Thursday, March 15, 22

10:00am - 12:00pm

Selden

Plan a Trip to New York City: Spring (A220)

March 21st hails the first day of spring! It is time to start planning a trip to the "Greatest City in the World." This class will help you decide your transportation, what to do, and where to eat. This time we will concentrate on lower Manhattan. Check out the Intrepid, the Chelsea area, the Meat Packing District, the Highline, and how to get around. Planning makes everything easier!

Friday, March 9

10:00am - 12:00pm

Selden

PowerPoint 2010: Imbedding Video & Music (A221)

Learn to imbed video and music clips into your work and school presentations. (Prior knowledge of PowerPoint required.)

Wednesday, March 28

6:45pm - 8:30pm

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PowerPoint 2010: Special Effects & Photo Editing (A222)

Focus on adding special effects and altering photos to create sensational presentations. (Prior knowledge of PowerPoint required.) Monday, March 26

6:45pm - 8:30pm

PrintShop: Greeting Cards (A223)

Never be caught short-handed again! Learn to create your own greeting cards with this fun and versatile program.

Thursday, March 1

10:00am - 12:00pm Selden

**Publisher 2010 (A224)** 

Design and create impressive, professional marketing and communication materials in-house. (Prior knowledge of the Windows operating system required.)

Monday & Wednesday, March 12, 14

6:45pm - 8:30pm

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Using MS Excel 2010 for Databases (A225)

Create databases, import/export to and from other software, sort and filter data, use built-in functions for sum counting and other functions. Even learn to set up labels using sample created Excel databases.

Monday & Wednesday, March 5, 7

6:45pm - 8:30pm

Selden

Live-brary: eBooks, Audiobooks, and More

Discover the world of digital downloads at this informative workshop and learn how to download eBooks, audiobooks, music and videos from Live-brary.com. Bring your own eReader and laptop for hands-

Thursday, January 26 OR Thursday, March 1

7:00pm - 8:30pm

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## **Concerts/Dance/Film/Performances**

Amped Up: The College Experience (A140)\*

Perform your music to a live audience. Bring your guitar to strum tunes with band mates or just hang out with friends for a live night of music. Performers and bands must have at least one member be a Middle Country resident and be between the ages of 18-25. All ages are welcome to watch the performances. Contact Laura Panter at (631) 585-9393 ext. 227 to book a performance slot.

Fridays, February 10, March 9

7:00pm - 8:45pm

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**Bring Up the Curtain: Sister Act (A133)** 

Join us for a wonderful show with the Sister Act. They will entertain you with great songs and humor, as they sing the songs of many female entertainers including the Andrew Sisters, Tina Turner and Cher. Great songs and memories add up to an absolutely enjoyable afternoon.

Sunday, January 8

2:00pm

Selden

Bring Up the Curtain: Siol na h'Eireann -The Seed of Ireland (A152)

Join us for the haunting and vibrant sounds of Siol na h' Eireann (The Seed of Ireland). This talented group plays bagpipes and drums and has led the NY State Ancient Order of Hibernians in the NYC St. Patrick's Day Parade.

Sunday, February 26

**Bring Up the Curtain:** 

Sound Symphony Orchestra (A153)

Music lovers of all ages will be entertained by a symphonic repertoire of Dittersdorf Sinfonia Concertante, Mendelssohn: Symphony # 3, Scottish and other classical delights.

Sunday, March 18

2:00pm

2:00pm

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Friday Films @ One (A137)

Spend Friday afternoons with us and enjoy a first run feature film with a friend.

Fridays, January 13, 20, 27, February 3, 10, 17, 24, March 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

1:00pm - 3:30pm

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## Cooking/Gardening/Home

**Culinary: Soup for You! (A177)** 

Warm up for winter with these savory soups.

Wednesday, January 18

7:00pm - 8:45pm

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Culinary: Mardi Gras (A179)

Discover all the tastes of Mardi Gras! Learn the tricks of great Jambalaya, Creole, and Etouffe. Bon Temps!

Monday, February 27

7:00pm - 8:45pm

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Culinary: Traditional Irish Dishes (A178)

Get in the spirit of St. Patrick's Day with these scrumptious delights! Monday, March 19

7:00pm - 8:45pm

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**Green Thumbs: Dynamic Dracaena (A182)** 

Whether you're a Green Thumb or not, anyone can grow this versatile plant. We will look at old standards and new varieties that will add some color and drama to your home this winter.

Wednesday, February 15

7:00pm - 8:30pm

Selden

**Green Thumbs: Seed Exchange and** Starting Tips (A181)

Share seeds from your favorite plant.

Wednesday, March 21

7:00pm - 8:30pm

Selden

**Home Depot: Interior Painting Techniques** (A151)\*

Not the best painter? Never painted a room in your home before? A representative from Home Depot will explain how to select paints, how to apply paint and some tips to help you create a professional looking paint job.

Monday, January 23

7:00pm - 8:00pm

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Home Depot: Planting Colorful Gardens (A149)\* Learn how to plan out a flowering garden with colorful plants in this

do-it-yourself clinic. Thursday, March 8 7:00pm - 8:00pm

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## **Home Depot: Scotts 4 Step Lawn Program** (A150)\*

Learn how to properly fertilize your lawn and gardens with this do-ityourself clinic.

Monday, April 2

7:00pm - 8:00pm

# **Defensive Driving/Pre-Licensing**

AARP Defensive Driving (A154)\*

Take this defensive driving course, offered to adults over 50 years of age, for a 10% insurance discount. Please check that your insurance company accepts this course for a discount. Only New York State licensed drivers will receive point reductions for taking this class. Insurance discounts for out-of-state drivers may also vary, so please check with your insurance company. Registration for out-ofdistrict patrons begins on Monday, December 19, 2011. Fee: \$17.00 for AARP members or \$19.00 for non-AARP members. Separate check or money order, for each person registering, payable to AARP is due within 3 days of registration. Payment forms may be obtained at any Reference desk.

Monday & Tuesday, January 30 & 31

10:00am - 1:00pm Selden

OR

Saturday, January 14 10:00am- 4:00pm Selden

Saturday, February 11 10:00am - 4:00pm Selden

**OR** 

Tuesday & Wednesday, February 21 & 22 10:00am - 1:00pm Selden

Saturday, March 10 10:00am - 4:00pm Selden

Monday & Tuesday, March 19 & 20 10:00am - 1:00pm Selden

**Defensive Driving (A168)\*** 

Take this six-hour course to reduce points from your driving record or get a discount on your car insurance. Check that your insurance company accepts this course for a discount. Registration for outof-district patrons begins Monday, December 19, 2011. Licensed drivers 16 and over may register for this program. Fee: \$35.00 check or money order, for each person registering, payable to Empire Safety Council is required within 3 days of registering. Payment forms may be obtained at any Reference desk.

Saturdays, January 28 OR February 25 OR March 24 10:00am - 5:00pm

Pre-Licensing Class (A167)\*

Everyone who is planning to take a road test for a New York State driver's license must take this five-hour pre-licensing class required by the Dept. of Motor Vehicles. Pre-register at the library. Registration for out-of-district patrons starts Monday, December 19, 2011.

Bring your permit and the \$40.00 fee in CASH to class. Saturdays, January 14 **OR** February 11 **OR** March 10

10:00am - 3:00pm Selden

#### Games

Bridge Club (A183)\*

An on-going club for bridge players 14 years and up. Duplicate bridge will not be played. Please bring your own bridge cards.

Wednesdays, January 4, 11, 18, 25, February 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, March 7, 14, 21, 28

1:00pm - 4:00pm Selden

Family Chess Club (A184)\*

An on-going chess club that meets weekly for chess lovers of all ages. All levels of player are welcome. If you have a chess set, please bring it with you.

Fridays, January 6, 13, 20, 27, February 3, 10, 17, 24,

March 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

6:00pm - 8:45pm Centereach

#### Mah-Jonga Club (A189)

A library sponsored club for those adults 14 and over who already know how to play Mah-Jongg and would like to participate in a regularly scheduled game.

Tuesdays, January 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, February 7, 14, 21, 28,

March 6, 13, 20, 27

6:30pm - 8:45pm Centereach

## Genealogy

## **Genealogy Group (A158)**

Join us for an informal discussion on genealogy and spend some time using the library databases. Family historians of all levels are welcome and we encourage you to share your stories and resources. Participants may also bring a laptop and use the library's wireless connection

Mondays, February 13, March 19

7:00pm - 8:30pm Centereach

### Writing Your Family History (A157)

You don't have to be a writer to create a fascinating family history that will be treasured for generations. In this two-part workshop, Gail Stratford will teach you how to conduct family interviews, collect the necessary documentation and write and edit your family story.

Mondays, January 9, 23

7:00pm - 8:30pm Centereach

# **Health/Wellness**

## **AED/CPR (A171)\***

This four and a half hour class prepares you to respond to breathing and cardiac emergencies in victims ages 8 and above. You will also learn how to safely use an automated external defibrillator to provide care for victims of sudden cardiac arrest. You must be at least 14 years old to participate in class. Bring a mat for kneeling and wear comfortable clothing. Bring a stamped self-addressed envelope so your card can be mailed. A \$45 non-refundable check or money order payable to The American Red Cross is required.

Monday, March 5

Selden

6:00pm - 10:30pm Selden

#### Introduction to Women's Weight Training & **Body Toning (A139)**

Learn the basics of body toning so you can feel great, have more energy, increase strength, sculpt and reduce fat. Wear exercise attire. Bring a towel, exercise mat, and (1) set of 3lb. dumb bells for beginners or 5lb for intermediate.

Wednesdays, February 1, 8, 15, 29, March 7, 14

1:00pm - 2:00pm

#### Widowhood... the Journey Continues (A187)

Monthly meeting providing emotional and informational support for those adjusting to life after the death of a spouse/partner.

Tuesday/Thursday, January 17, February 16, March 20

7:00pm - 8:45pm Centereach

## History/Heritage

## **Civil War Battlefield Travel Series: Antietam** (A226)

Are you interested in visiting the historic battlefield at Antietam? This informative program will take you on the battlefield and give you a brief history of the battle that was fought here in 1862.

Monday, March 26

7:00pm - 8:00pm Centereach

\*Open to the Public

**Little Known Heroes of Long Island (A176)** 

Dr. Mark Hessler will discuss little known Long Islanders who have had an impact on the history and growth of Long Island.

Wednesday, February 22

7:00pm - 8:30pm Centereach

#### **History Book Discussion Group (A174)**

Join us at our book discussion group dedicated to stories related to historical events and people who lived through them! Both titles will be available at the Circulation desk at the prior book

Thursday, January 19 - The Lost City of Z: A Tale of Deadly Obsession in the Amazon, by David Grann

Thursday, March 1 -

The Island at the Center of The World: The Epic Story of Dutch Manhattan and the Forgotten Colony that Shaped America, by Russell Shorto

7:00pm - 8:30pm Centereach

## The Irish in New York (A175)

Throughout the 19th and early 20th centuries, many Irish citizens emigrated to the U.S., often to escape religious persecution and economic hardship. Most left family, friends, and loved ones behind, and upon arrival in America encountered widespread prejudice. Local professor, Tara Rider, will present a fascinating multimedia look at the history and culture of the Irish of New York from their immigrant beginnings to the present day.

Wednesday, March 7

7:00pm - 8:30pm Centereach

#### **Picturing America (A141)**

An illustrated lecture that will explore American art from the early 18th, 19th and 20th century masters. Each piece of art has immeasurable energies characterizing the American ideals of democracy, freedom, creativity, leadership and courage. Artist works will include J.S. Copley, Gilbert Stuart, Emanuel Leutze, Norman Rockwell, Chide Hassam, N.C. Wyeth and more.

Wednesday, February 29 11:00am - 12:30pm

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#### The Whats and Whos of World War I (A165)

Local professor, Danielle DiMauro-Brooks, will discuss the people and places that defined a generation during the conflict that was originally known as the Great War.

Wednesday, January 25 7:00pm - 8:00pm

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## **Senior Services**

### AARP Defensive Driving (A154)\*

Take this defensive driving course, offered to adults over 50 years of age, for a 10% insurance discount. Please check that your insurance company accepts this course for a discount. Only New York State licensed drivers will receive point reductions for taking this class. Insurance discounts for out-of-state drivers may also vary, so please check with your insurance company. Registration for out-ofdistrict patrons begins on Monday, December 19, 2011. Fee: \$17.00 for AARP members or \$19.00 for non-AARP members. Separate check or money order, for each person registering, payable to AARP is due within 3 days of registration. Payment forms may be obtained at any Reference desk.

Monday & Tuesday, January 30 & 31

10:00am - 1:00pm Selden

OR

Saturday, January 14 10:00am - 4:00pm Selden

<u>OR</u>

Saturday, February 11 10:00am - 4:00pm Selden

OR

Tuesday & Wednesday, February 21 & 22

10:00am - 1:00pm Selden

OR

Saturday, March 10

10:00am - 4:00pm Selden

<u>OR</u>

Monday & Tuesday, March 19 & 20

10:00am - 1:00pm Selden

#### AARP Tax Assistance (A155)\*

In our free tax assistance program for the elderly, trained counselors will assist seniors in filling out their tax returns. *Open to the public on* the first day of registration.

Mondays, February 6, 13, 20, 27, March 5, 12, 19, 26, April 2, 9 10:00am - 1:45pm Centereach

## **Bring Up the Curtain: Sister Act (A133)**

Join us for a wonderful show with the Sister Act. They will entertain you with great songs and humor, as they sing the songs of many female entertainers including the Andrew Sisters, Tina Turner and Cher. Great songs and memories add up to an absolutely enjoyable afternoon.

Sunday, January 8

2:00pm Selden

#### Bring Up the Curtain: Siol na h'Eireann -The Seed of Ireland (A152)

Join us for the haunting and vibrant sounds of Siol na h' Eireann (The Seed of Ireland). This talented group plays bagpipes and drums and has led the NY State Ancient Order of Hibernians in the NYC St. Patrick's Day Parade.

Sunday, February 26

2:00pm Selden

#### **Bring Up the Curtain:** Sound Symphony Orchestra (A153)

Music lovers of all ages will be entertained by a symphonic repertoire of Dittersdorf Sinfonia Concertante, Mendelssohn: Symphony # 3, Scottish and other classical delights.

Sunday, March 18

2:00pm Selden

## Friday Films @ One (A137)

Spend Friday afternoons with us and enjoy a first run feature film with

Fridays, January 13, 20, 27, February 3, 10, 17, 24,

March 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

1:00pm - 3:30pm Selden

# People with Arthritis Can Exercise (PACE) (A232)

À recreational exercise program designed to increase range of motion of the joints and increase muscle tone.

Tuesdays, January 10, 17, 24, February 7, 14, 21, 28,

March 6, 13, 27

12:30pm – 2:00pm Selden

#### Ring in the New Year: 2012 (A134)

Join us, and your friends, as we welcome 2012. Remember some of the old songs and enjoy some new ones from the talented musician, singer and entertainer, Tommy Sullivan. Dance, enjoy and have fun to start off a great year!

Friday, January 6

2:00pm Selden

## Senior Advocate (A234)\*

Available on the fourth Monday of alternating months, this is a walkin program. The advocate will assist senior citizens with applications for SSI, food stamps, Medicare/Medicaid/Medigap concerns, senior ID cards, HEAP benefits and other services.

Monday, February 27

3:00pm – 5:00pm

# Topical Tuesdays @ Two Assisted Living (A180)

Lisa Albinowski, Director of Community Relations at The Arbors Assisted Living Communities, will discuss the issues and questions seniors and their families may have when deciding on enlisting this important service.

Tuesday, March 20 2:00pm - 3:00pm

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# Sports/Leisure/Language

## **Couponing 101 (A195)**

Learn some solid tips on how to slash spending in the new year. You will discover tricks on where to find coupons, how to organize them and how to maximize their money saving power. Find out how much money you can save with just a few minutes of preparation each week! Walk away with the knowledge, skills, and motivation you need to feed your family without breaking the bank! Each participant is entered into a raffle to win one of at least 10 prizes!

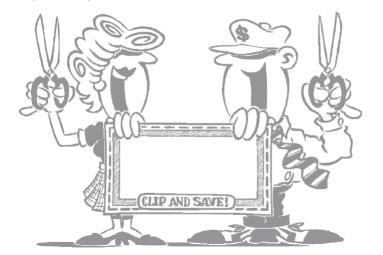
Saturday, January 7 (Bilingual Workshop)

1:00pm – 2:30pm

OR Centereach

Wednesday, February 8 7:00pm – 8:30pm

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#### Photography-Basic Digital SLR (A194)

Topics to be covered include camera operations and techniques such as camera shutter speeds, white balance, lens apertures, ISO settings, metering, depth of field, picture styles, exposure compensation, auto focusing, drive modes and more. Discover how setting your camera can capture a variety of creative effects. This class is designed for owners of digital SLR cameras, not point and shoot cameras. Please bring your camera's instructional manual to class.

Thursday, January 12 7:00pm – 8:45pm

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## **Photography-Point and Shoot Digital (A193)**

Do you have a digital point and shoot camera and want to take great images? Do you want to capture memories with your digital camera of family and friends, vacations, holidays, special events and more? Then this class is the one for you. Learn more about the features of your digital camera and how to make the most of it. Basic photographic techniques with emphasis on people and scenic photos will also be covered

Tuesday, January 10 7:00pm – 8:45pm

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## Singles Café @ MCPL (A191)\*

The Singles Café...where singles mingle! Speakers will present on topics, such as relationships, dating, and enjoying your singleness. This program is for people newly single, people looking for a relationship, and people loving their singleness. Each night's program will end with some informal café-style time to mingle. Watch for our flyer with program details.

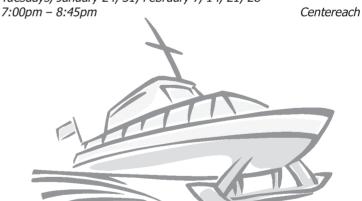
Thursdays, February 9, March 15

7:00pm – 8:45pm Centereach

## Spanish Conversation Group (A192)\*

Join our group to practice your Spanish speaking and listening skills to improve your fluency! All levels welcome to participate.

Tuesdays, January 24, 31, February 7, 14, 21, 28



#### U.S. Coast Guard Safe Boating Class (A138)\*

Certificate course required by New York State for all boat and jet-ski operators. There is a \$50.00 family fee for manual and supplies to be paid directly to the instructor. **Out-of-District Patrons may register on the first day of Registration.** 

Thursdays, March 1, 15, 22, 29, April 5, 12, 26 7:30pm – 9:30pm